

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 15, and 22 and ADD new claims 34-37 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer system, comprising:
 - ~~means for receiving client identification information from a terminal of one client;~~
 - ~~means for transmitting, to said terminal of said one client, first display information to a~~
terminal of one client, first display information comprising:
 - ~~in which a first image to identify said one client, and~~
 - a plurality of second images to identify other clients, wherein each of the other
clients who belong to a same genre that was preregistered ~~registered~~ by said one client in
advance, are positioned at predetermined locations;
 - ~~means for receiving, from said terminal of said one client, information indicating selecting~~
of an image selected from said first image and said second images ~~display information;~~
 - ~~means for reading out information that matches an attribute registered in advance and~~
~~that is about a client corresponding to the selected image;~~
 - means for forming ~~means for,~~
 - upon the received information indicating one of the plurality of second images
being selected, forming second display information comprising ~~corresponding to another client~~
~~and including the read information about said other another client identified by the selected~~
second image and a first display element to instruct prompting the one client ~~to input a comment~~
~~from said one client to said other another client, and~~
 - upon the received information indicating the first image, which identifies the one
client themselves, being selected, when said selected images is said second image, and
forming second display information prompting the ~~corresponding to said one client and including~~
~~the read information about said one client and a second display element to instruct to send a~~
~~request for a comment from an expert in said genre registered in advance, when said selected~~
~~image is said first image;~~
 - ~~means for transmitting to said terminal of said one client, the formed second display~~
~~information;~~

~~means for transmitting to said terminal of said one client, third display information to allow said one client to input a comment from said one client to said another client, upon receipt of an instruction based on said first display element, and for transmitting to said terminal of said one client, third display information to allow said one client to input an inquiry to said expert, upon receipt of an instruction based on said second display element;~~

~~means for registering a comment for said another client, upon receipt of said comment for said another client from said terminal of said one client;~~

~~means for transmitting said inquiry to a terminal of said expert, upon receipt of said inquiry from said terminal for said one client; and~~

~~means for receiving comment information from said terminal of said expert, and storing said comment information into a storage area for said one client;~~

~~wherein said forming means includes the registered comment for said another client into said second display information corresponding to said another client after said registered comment for said another client was received and registered, and includes the stored comment information into said second display information corresponding to said one client after said stored comment information was received and stored.~~

2. - 10. (CANCELLED)

11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer system according to claim 1, further comprising:

means for receiving another request of said first display information from said terminal of said one client;

means for shuffling said locations of said first image and said second images; and

means for transmitting shuffled first display information in which said locations of said first image and said second images are shuffled to said terminal of said one client.

12. - 14. (CANCELLED)

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable storage storing a program for controlling a computer to provide information, by:

~~receiving client identification information from a terminal of one client;~~

~~in response to receipt of said client identification information, transmitting, to said terminal of said one client, first display information to a terminal of one client, first display information comprising:~~

~~in which a first image to identify said one client, and~~
~~a plurality of second images to identify other clients, wherein each of the other~~
~~clients who belong to a same genre that was preregistered registered by said one client in~~
~~advance, are positioned at predetermined locations;~~

~~receiving, from said terminal of said one client, information indicating selecting of an~~
~~image selected from said first image and said second images display information;~~

~~reading out information that matches an attribute registered in advance and that is about~~
~~a client corresponding to the selected image;~~

~~upon the received information indicating one of the plurality of second images being~~
~~selected, forming second display information comprising corresponding to another client and~~
~~including the read information about said other another client identified by the selected second~~
~~image and a first display element to instruct prompting the one client to input a comment from~~
~~said one client to said other another client; and~~

~~upon the received information indicating the first image, which identifies the one client~~
~~themselves, being selected, when said selected images is said second image, and forming~~
~~second display information prompting the corresponding to said one client and including the~~
~~read information about said one client and a second display element to instruct to send a~~
~~request for a comment from an expert in said genre registered in advance, when said selected~~
~~image is said first image;~~

~~transmitting to said terminal of said one client, the formed second display information;~~

~~transmitting to said terminal of said one client, third display information to allow said one~~
~~client to input a comment from said one client to said another client, upon receipt of an~~
~~instruction based on said first display element, and transmitting to said terminal of said one~~
~~client, third display information to allow said one client to input an inquiry to said expert, upon~~
~~receipt of an instruction based on said second display element;~~

~~registering a comment for said another client, upon receipt of said comment for said~~
~~another client from said terminal of said one client;~~

~~transmitting said inquiry to a terminal of said expert, upon receipt of said inquiry from said~~
~~terminal for said one client;~~

~~receiving comment information from said terminal of said expert, and storing said~~
~~comment information into a storage area for said one client;~~

~~wherein said forming comprises including the registered comment for said another client~~
~~into said second display information corresponding to said another client after said registered~~
~~comment for said another client was received and registered, and including the stored comment~~
~~information into said second display information corresponding to said one client after said~~

~~stored comment information was received and stored.~~

16.-19. (CANCELLED)

20. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer-readable storage for controlling a computer to provide information according to claim 15, further comprising:

receiving another request of said first display information from said terminal of said one client;

shuffling said locations of said first image and said second images; and

transmitting the shuffled first display information in which said locations of said first image and said second images are shuffled to said terminal of said one client.

21. (CANCELLED)

22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An information providing method comprising:

~~receiving client identification information from a terminal of one client;~~

~~in response to receipt of said client identification information, transmitting, to said terminal of said one client, first display information to a terminal of one client, first display information comprising:~~

~~in which a first image to identify said one client, and~~

~~a plurality of second images to identify other clients, wherein each of the other clients who belong to a same genre that was preregistered registered by said one client in advance, are positioned at predetermined locations;~~

~~receiving, from said terminal of said one client, information indicating selecting of an image selected from said first image and said second images display information;~~

~~reading out information that matches an attribute registered in advance and that is about a client corresponding to the selected image;~~

~~upon the received information indicating one of the plurality of second images being selected, forming second display information comprising corresponding to another client and including the read information about said other another client identified by the selected second image and a first display element to instruct prompting the one client to input a comment from said one client to said other another client; and~~

~~upon the received information indicating the first image, which identifies the one client themselves, being selected, when said selected images is said second image, and forming second display information prompting the corresponding to said one client and including the~~

~~read information about said one client and a second display element to instruct to send a request for a comment from an expert in said genre registered in advance, when said selected image is said first image;~~

~~transmitting to said terminal of said one client, the formed second display information;~~

~~transmitting to said terminal of said one client, third display information to allow said one client to input a comment from said one client to said another client, upon receipt of an instruction based on said first display element, and transmitting to said terminal of said one client, third display information to allow said one client to input an inquiry to said expert, upon receipt of an instruction based on said second display element;~~

~~registering a comment for said another client, upon receipt of said comment for said another client from said terminal of said one client;~~

~~transmitting said inquiry to a terminal of said expert, upon receipt of said inquiry from said terminal for said one client;~~

~~receiving comment information from said terminal of said expert, and storing said comment information into a storage area for said one client;~~

~~wherein said forming comprises including the registered comment for said another client into said second display information corresponding to said another client after said registered comment for said another client was received and registered, and including the stored comment information into said second display information corresponding to said one client after said stored comment information was received and stored.~~

23.-26. (CANCELLED)

27. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The information providing method according to claim 22, further comprising:

receiving another request of said first display information from said terminal of said one client;

shuffling said locations of said first image and said second images; and

transmitting the shuffled first display information in which said locations of said first image and said second images are shuffled to said terminal of said one client.

28.- 33. (CANCELLED)

34. (NEW) An information providing method according to claim 22, wherein the transmitting of first display information is in response to a receipt of identification information

from one client,

35. (NEW) An information providing method according to claim 22, wherein the information about said other client includes an attribute registered in advance.

36. (NEW) An information providing method according to claim 22, further comprising registering the inputted comment to the other client and including the registered comment in the second display information.

37. (NEW) An information providing method according to claim 22, further comprising:

transmitting a request for a comment from the one client to the expert or a comment from the said expert, and

upon receiving a comment from said terminal of said expert, storing said comment information into a storage area for said one client.